



# GENERAL ASSEMBLY

## COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

### 2009 REGULAR SESSION

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HOUSE BILL NO. 301

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The following bill was reported to the Senate from the House and ordered to be printed.

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SECRETARY OF STATE  
COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
BY R. Adair

AN ACT relating to animal protection.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:*

1        ➔ SECTION 1. A NEW SECTION OF KRS 258.095 TO 258.500 IS CREATED  
2 TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

3        (1) No person other than the owner shall tamper with or remove without permission  
4        an identification tag, chip, locator, or electronic tracking device from a  
5        domesticated animal of any age, including but not limited to a hound or dog used  
6        in the sport of hunting.


7        (2) Subsection (1) of this section shall not apply to a person removing an  
8        identification tag, chip, locator, or electronic tracking device if the removal is:

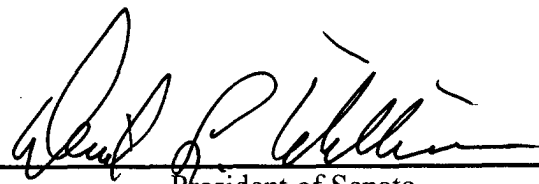
9        (a) Necessary to prevent or treat an injury to the animal;

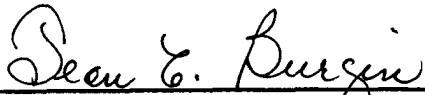
10        (b) Done by a law enforcement officer or animal control officer for a legitimate  
11        purpose; or

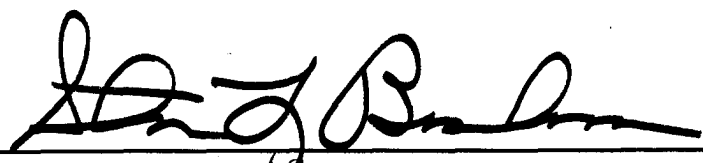
12        (c) Done with the written permission of the owner of the animal.

13        (3) Any person who violates the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a Class A  
14        misdemeanor.

  
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Speaker-House of Representatives

  
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President of Senate

Attest:   
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Chief Clerk of House of Representatives

Approved   
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Governor

Date 3-20-09